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Rainey Creek Project Participants,

Thanks to those of you who participated in our March 27, 2013 collaborative meeting and contributed to a successful start on the Rainey Creek Habitat Improvement Project. Since our meeting, we have updated our Caribou-Targhee National Forest website which now contains information relevant to the Rainey Creek project including PowerPoint presentations, project maps and meeting notes from the March 27 meeting. The following link will take you to our forest website where you can access this information.

www.fs.usda.gov/detail/ctnf/home/?cid=stelprdb5416936

I would like to remind you of our next public meeting scheduled on April 30th from 6:30 – 8:30pm at the Swan Valley American Legion building (157 Stoltenberg Ln., Swan Valley). This is the second of four planned meetings to collaboratively develop treatments to address vegetation health issues in the Rainey Creek project area.

The agenda on April 30th will include:

- Brief recap of the information covered at the first meeting.
- Resource situation presentations by Forest Service specialists on current versus desired resource conditions, management sideboards, and treatment options.
 - Targhee Forest Plan direction
 - o Wildlife and Fisheries
 - Potential impacts to soils and hydrology

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- Recreation concerns
- o Smoke

We appreciate your involvement in the Rainey Creek Habitat Restoration Project and look forward to seeing you at the April 30th meeting. Questions about the meeting can be addressed to Deb Flowers at 208-354-6630, dmflowers@fs.fed.us or to myself at 208-523-1412, thollingshead@fs.fed.us.

Sincerely,

TRACY HOLLINGSHEAD Palisades District Ranger



